National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of Qatar

Minutes of Meeting No: 14 165BE
Date: 22-Feb-09 Time: 201 To 2315

Attendance

Nahid Lawson, Mrs	Present	Cyrus Rohani, Mr	Present
Remi Rohani, Mr	Present	Ramin Badi'i, Dr	Travelling
Moin Yeganeh, Mr	Present	Alhan Rahimi, Ms	Present, left 25 mins early
Zabihollah Jaberi, Mr	Present	Bill Lawson, Mr	Present
Afshin Jaberi, Dr	Present		

I. Opening Prayers

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Prayers were read for the success of national dignitaries, students studying overseas, short term pioneers and travel teachers, members of the community who are ill and teaching activities.

II. Correspondence

1 Letter from the Department of the Secretariat dated 26th January 2009 addressed to all NSAs

The letter was a covering letter enclosing Persian and English copies of a letter and statement regarding the Covenant sent by the Universal House of Justice to an individual in Iran.

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The documents to be passed to local communities to share with the friends in whatever way deemed appropriate. Youth task force to arrange to study with the Youth.

2 Letter from the Department of the Secretariat dated 1st February 2009 regarding the Arabic translation of the book "Understandng the Baha'i Faith"

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Members to search local bookstores to find if this book is available in Qatar or to locate the agent for the publisher. 10 copies to be bought or ordered.

3 Letter from the Department of the Secretariat dated 10th February 2009

The letter was regarding the claims of Mr. Nasir Najibi regarding land in Qatar. He claims that he and others were illegally sold land by a believer and that whilst others recouped their money he was not been recompensed. The Universal House of Justice has recommended both parties appoint representatives and the NSA of Qatar appoint an arbitrator to try to resolve the issue. The Universal House of Justice has requested the views of the NSA before any action is taken.

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Background and a summary of action taken to date in this matter to be sent to the Universal House of Justice. The NSA appreciates the method suggested as the best way forward.

4 Letter from the Department of the Secretariat dated 12th February 2009 enclosing messages addressed to the Baha'is of Iran

The messages have been passed to communities.

5 Letter dated 18th February 2009 from the Department of the Secretariat regarding corrections to the compilation on Huququllah

3 Letter dated 19 February 2009 from the Regional Board of Huququllah
The letter advised the reappointment of the periods of service of the deputy and representative for Qatar.

III. National Training Institute

1 Report on Activities
Meeting held with teachers of children's classes. Sections from Ruhi 3 were reviewed with concentration on contacts with parents. Planned course on Ruhi 5 was postponed as the tutor was refused a visa. Awareness to be raised in communities of the importance of children's classes and of inviting non-Baha'i children. Meeting with parents to be held soon.

IV. Administration

1 National Convention Planning

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Convention scheduled on Friday 24th April subject to approval of the counsellor.

2 Area Conventions
Reports were received from the two area conventions confirming election of delegates.

V. Minutes

Minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Friday March 13th at 1100 at Remi Rohani's house.